Utilisation of Grants for Water Supply to drought HIT Villages of Baroda

3435. SHRIMATI URMILABEN CHIMANBHAI PATEL: Will the Minister of RURAL AREAS AND EMPLOYMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the Central Government have granted Rs. 40 crores for reviving the alternative irrigation and drinking water supply aimed at providing uninterrupted water supply to 265 drought-hit villages in various tehsils of Baroda district in Gujarat;

(b) if so, whether the amount given to the State Government has been utilised; and

(c) if not, the steps the Central Government have taken or propose to take for utilisation of the amount for the purpose?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RURAL AREAS & EMPLOYMENT (SHRI CHAN-DRADEO PRASAD VERMA): (a) The Union Government has released Rs. 40.395 crore to the State Government of Gujarat during 1996-97 for safe drinking water supply to not covered and partially covered habitations including such habitations in Baroda district.

(b) Yes, Sir.

(c) Does not arise.

Transfer of Rural Development Program me* to States

3436. DR. B.B. DUTTA: Will the Minister of RURAL AREAS AMD EM-PLOYMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have re viewed the centrally-sponsored program mes for rural development;

(b) if so, the progress of each program me during the Eighth Five Year Plan period;

(c) whether Government propose to transfer some of the above programmes to state Governments;

(d) if so, the details thereof; and

(e) the programmes/schemes prop osed to be launched during the Ninth Five year Plan for the rural sector?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RURAL AREAS & EMPLOYMENT (SHRI CHAN-DRADEO PRASAD VERMA): (a) Yes Sir.

(b) The progress of major rural development programmes during the Eighth Five Year Plan period (1.4.92 to 28.2.97) are as follows :—

Programmes	Physical Achievement		Total utilisation (Rs. in crores)
IRDP	103.46 lakh families		4588.03
TRYSEM	14.16 lakh youth trained		342.25
DWCRA	1.41 lakh groups		190.72
JRY	39502.77 lakh mandays		16866.95
IAY	21.83 lakh houses constructed		2980.04
MWS	7.14 lakh wells constructed		2816.29
EAS	9272.07 lakh mandays		4505.18
DPAP	2649 water shed projects started	©	625.32
DOP	477 water shed projects started	©	316.91
ARSP	3.13 lakh habitants covered		3433.18
CRSP	28.60 lakh latrines constructed		191.16
*NSAP	93.45 lakh beneficiaries		541.95

* The scheme was launced in 15.8.95. The figures indicate expenditure for the period from 15.8.95 to 31.3.97.

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